

# LIBS, Deceit, and

## Notorious Schemes

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Faster than a speeding mailman;  
More powerful than a mimeo machine.;  
Able to leap small typewriters with a single bound.  
Look, up in the sky. It's a bird, it's a plane, it's LDNS! Yes LDNS, strange  
zine from another warped mind who came to Diplomacydom with powers and abilities  
far beyond those of mortal zines. LDNS, who can change the course of mighty  
games, bend the rules with his bare hands, and who disguised as Jerry Jones,  
mild-mannered gamemaster, fights a never ending battle for lies, deceit and  
the American Way.

Cheese and crackers, is it Saturday already? It is and here is LDNS #10. LDNS is published and edited by Jerry E. Jones; the associate editor is Patricia Jones; and "DJ" Jones is in charge of the complaint department. "The family  
that mimeos together, stays together." Subscription rates for LDNS are 10 issues  
for \$3.50 (effective immediately \$4.50 for Canadian residents due to increased  
mailing costs.) Game fees are \$2 with a refundable \$2 NMR deposit. LDNS-6  
is filled and there are two signed up for LDNS-7 (K. Peterson and R. Kelly).  
LDNS-8 will be the last game for a while due to space limitations.

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and copyrighted by Avalon Hill (4317 Harford Rd.; Baltimore, MD 21214.)

### What's Happening:

IDA-NA: The elections for the IDA-NA Council are over and those elected are:

President: Bob Hartwig Jr.  
Treasurer: Doug Beyerlein  
Ombudsman: David Bunke  
Periodicals Editor: Jerry Jones  
Special Projects: Konrad Baumcister  
US Representative: Andy Cook  
Can Representative: Cal White

Now they have got the ball. The members have done their part and now the  
council must do its part. The staff here at LDNS wish to offer its congratulations  
to those who won and a special thanx to the others who didn't for making this  
election a close one.

I wish to thank all of you who supported me and I promise not to let you down.

As of this writing I have not received anything from Ben Grossman concerning  
Diplomacy Review, but when I do an issue will be forthcoming. Bob Hartwig  
has informed me that he is in the process of writing the Council Courier. I am  
very excited about the prospects for the upcoming year and I look forward to a  
re-newed interest in the IDA-NA.

Avalon Hill has announce that they are going to increase the price of the  
Diplomacy game to \$12.00. (But it sells for \$6.97 at a Toys 'R' Us  
store if you happen to have one in the area.)

TEXCON March 10-12 at the Stephen F. Austin Hotel in Austin, TX. There will be  
a Diplomacy tournament along with other simulation wargames. Preregistration  
is \$10 for the three day event. For more information contact: TEXCON,  
PO Box 12385, Austin, TX 78711.

LDNS: This probably doesn't belong in a news column but there wasn't much to  
print and I wanted to print this so... There will be a few surprises in store  
for LDNS subscriber's. One is a secret and you should be receiving it a few  
days after you get this (maybe I'll wait until next issue, I'm not sure.) Secondly  
not to be done out by the "General" LDNS will have its own "want ads". Rather  
than plugging zines that I may not be familiar with I will have a want ad dept.  
for them. You can use it too. If you're looking for players in other games,  
wishing to sell or buy a game, or whatever. There will be no charge for this  
of course. I may at my choosing though plug a zine that I am happy with. Thirdly  
I will be writing an editorial on various subjects in Dippydom. I want you to  
reply with your views and comments on my statements and to make a statement on  
future issues. You need not have your name included with your statement but

at least this may give you a chance to get something "off your chest" and make you feel better.

THANX

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PROFILE  
John Caruso

Age - 28 Plays Diplomacy for fun

Hobbies - Diplomacy, relaxation and the thrills

Football, handball (the best), softball (MVP)

Occupation - Florist

Lived in Whitestone my whole life. At times has a short temper but usually a calm and basically good guy. Age is putting me out of shape.

Can keep a secret or pass it on. Printing stinks and my handwriting is worse. I hate to write letters and articles. Started college but lacked the ambition and funds. Own my own Chevy. At one time I had bread (\$\$), but not for the last 5 years. Never lies (tries not to) but uses ambiguities such as - maybe, might, if. -- Straight forward and to the point. Very persistent and stubborn.

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This is a partial reprint of an article printed in Suicide (Andy Cook's zine) written by Bob Hartwig prior to his becoming President of the IDA-NA. The first portion of the article was about the history of the IDA-NA and the second half was on the future of the IDA-NA. It is this portion that I am re-printing.

...I believe that the IDA should be accomplishing the following:

1. The President should be organizing, and overseeing the other councilmen. (And women--should that ever occur.) He should also be reporting to the members in each issue of Diplomacy Review.
2. The Ombudsman (Vice President and IDA Arbitrator) should be settling hobby disputes and should be trying to keep Diplomacy World and Avalon Hill informed on IDA projects. This would include articles for these magazines (DW and the General) if the Editors and Publishers agreed.
3. The Treasurer should submit an audit for publication in Diplomacy Review and should inform members immediately upon receipt of their checks.
4. The Special Projects Editor should decide on his project early and attempt to have it completed by DipCon XII. After that, he could produce another project, or help someone with their duties, perhaps taking over the Treasurer's duty of informing new members.
5. The Periodicals Editor should publish his six issues of Diplomacy Review, keep hobby members up-to-date on Council proceedings, publish the Pres. reports and the Treasurer's audit, and could possibly incorporate the Publisher's relation project in with this.
6. The Canadian Representative should attempt to help out by reestablishing relations with overseas Diplomacy organizations, forward ideas from Canadian members, and could possibly help with the Canadian and overseas areas of the census.
7. The U.S. Representative should finish the Census, and then could work on a U.S. Novice Project for hobby newcomers. He should conduct the Census at least biennially (perhaps annually if this is possible) or turn the project over to anyone else willing to undertake the task.

These duties, should also include the publication and distribution of the Constitution to all present and future members, as well as the President conducting Council votes through the Council Courier. The Council Courier should come out every two weeks, with bills submitted one issue, debated over the next, and voted on immediately 1 month after their presentation.

((That is the main body of his article. One that has some very good ideas and some points that bring the organization into perspective. Time will be the final judge of the 1978 IDA-NA Council and I hope that we will pass the test. I am not anticipating anyone jumping up and down over the new council yet. I do hope though that people will at least give us the benefit of the doubt and to give us a fair chance.--JHJ))

## EDITORIAL

To Stab:

I am so sick and tired of the word stab! The word seems to stem from the phrase to "stab in the back." But the use of the word has become so vogue that it has no meaning in Diplomacy. I have heard the word stab used to mean to attack in 1901, to attack a neutral country, even to attack someone who is attacking you!!! I have been under the understanding that the Stab was a move whereby two countries are allied for two, three years and then one country without provocation attacks his ally from the rear to gain new territories. So as to "stab in the back" his unsuspecting ally.

I am sure that some of you are saying so what. What difference does a word make? Simple, there are quite a few new comers to Diplomacy and when they speak to the old-timers they hear that the "Stabber" is some dreadful person with no social redeeming values. Then in their first game the first person to fall under is calling the new player a "stabber." May be it was just because he attacked the loosing without any reason, but the point is maybe he didn't stab, maybe he was just playing a standard war style game and now he is a stabber (or at least he was called so, and he begins to believe it.) He may ask the player why he called him a stabber and the player will reply that since they both had corresponded then any attack would be considered a stab. Some people do think this way. The new player then gets into another game and writes no one so he won't be considered a stabber and he looses miserably and quits the hobby altogether. I have noticed a trend towards not writing something to the other players. My feeling it is because of the above reason.

So to clear the air I make two statements:

1. EVERYONE WHO PLAYS DIPLOMACY IS A STABBER (that is according to the 1977 version of the word.)
2. EVERY COUNTRY, NO MATTER HOW CLOSELY YOU ARE ALLIED, IS A POTENTIAL ENEMY.

In a game of seven people, somebody has to lose and someone has to win. The point of the game is to win (or draw) and to avoid being defeated and to do so you must attack someone sooner or later so, if by the most recent use of the word, I AM A STABBER. There I've said it. But remember so are YOU.

I'M SICK OF THAT WORD.

((A note I had better add quickly. I wrote this not because I have been called a stabber, but because of the flagrant use of the word by a few and I wanted to warn some of the newer players not to be too concerned with the word. Just go and have fun and do what you wish.--JHJ))

Now it is you turn to comment. I will print all but profanity.

NEXT ISSUE: "Should people be allowed to use alias's?"

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Before we get to the games--

PUBLISHER'S PLEASE NOTE: I would be very grateful if you would be able to drop me a note telling me how you print and any ideas for making the print better. Hint: that you use or whatever. I would especially like to hear from those how use ditto. I am going to try to compile a short publisher's aide to printing techniques. Any and all help will be appreciated and duly noted.

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## WANTED

Subscribers and players for SPECULUM. A zine published by David J. Kadlecik (333 Loring Avenue, Crockett, CA 94525). Game openings in an International Diplomacy game (from Europe, one more needed) and Sorcery Diplomacy. Sub fees are 8/\$2 or 17/\$4. Canadian funds are accepted at a rate of \$1.05 Canadian to \$1 U.S.

Someone to play me, JH Jones, in a simulation game. I am familiar with AH's Blitzkrieg, The Russian Campaign, Afrika Korps, Stalingrad, Panzer Blitz/Leader, Gettysburg. Battleline's Air Force and SPI's Pull Run. I have all the other AH games but it would take me a little time to brush up on them but I will do so. Am Area rated. Will play for blood or fun. No reasonable offer denied. I am waiting.

What say we get to the games?

1977-HW

The West Coast Game  
Separation of Seasons

Winter '03

AUS (T. Sherwood) Builds F Tri, A Ven also has F Gre, A Gal, Ser Rum Sev, Bul (8).  
ENG (D. Fugihara) Builds F Lvp also has F Eng, Lon A Pic (4)  
FRA (D. Brownell) Builds A Bre also has F MAO A Par, Gas, Mar (5).  
GER (C. Spiekerman) Builds A Mun A Kie also has F StP, Bal A Hol, Bel, Bur, Ruh, War, Mos (10)  
ITA (D. Ditter) Builds F Nap also has F Ion, Smy A Ven, Syr (5)  
TUR (D. Hard) Removes A Arm also has F Con, EMed (2).

In the Autumn of 1903 France retreated F English Channel OTW.

No Press.

Moves on file for Turkey and Germany.

Spring 1903 due Saturday noon March 11.

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1977-KX

Winter 1901

STILL NO RUSSIA, METHINKS THE RUSSIAN FLU HAS HIT RUSSIA HARD.

AUS (D. Hard) Builds F Tri A Ven has F Gre A Ser, Bud  
ENG (L. Harmon) Builds F Lon has F Nth, Nwy A Yor (4).  
FRA (C. Reges) Builds A Bre A Par has F Por A Bur, Spa (5).  
ITA (J. Diehl) Builds F Nap has F Tun A Tyr, Ven (4).  
GER (K. Peterson) Builds A Kiel A Ber has F Bel A Hol, Den (5).  
RUS (G. Stratton) NMR (G. Stratton) NMR (Phantom) MMX Builds A Mos  
also has F Swe, Sev A Gal, Ukr (5)  
TUR (T. Long) Builds A Con F Smy has F Blk A Rum, Bul (5).

Press:

MUNICH: You've lied to me twice Frenchy--want to try for three?

Spr '02 moves on file for E,A,&F.

Spring 1902 is due Sat. Noon March 11.

Will David Mueth (202 Lucerne Ave. Lake Worth, Fl 33460) please standby  
for the Russian standby?

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1977-KC

Separation of Season's

Winter 1902

AUS (S. Shields) Builds F Tri has F Aeg, A Tyr, Vie, Ser, Bul (6).  
ENG (J. Diehl) Even Has F Eng, Wal, Lon A Lvp (4).  
FRA (J. Caruso) Builds A Par has F MAO, Bre A Mar, Spa (5).  
GER (C. Reges) Builds A Ber F Kie Has F Both, Swe A Bel, Pru, War, Mun (8).  
ITA (D. Mueth) Even Has F Lyon, WMed A Pie, Ven (4).  
RUS (C. Eichelberger) Removes F Sev has F Lvn, Blk A Mos, Ukr (4).  
TUR (J. Machir) Even Has F Ank A Con, Smy (3)

No Press

Spring 1903 moves are on file for I,E,F,G,R,T.

Spring 1903 moves/changes are due Sat noon March 11.

1977-IA

Summer 1903: ITA A Ven ret to Pied.

Fall 1903

AUS (A. Tomcufcik) A Ven-Rom; F Tri-Adr; A Ser S TUR A Rum; F Gre-Ion; A Gal-War /d/ ret Sil, Boh, Vie, Bud or OTB.

ENG (R. Birmingham) A Swe-Nwy; F Nwg S A Swe-Nwy; F Ska-Swe; F Nth-Hol.

FRA (J. Morris) A Mun-Ber; A Bur-Mun; A Pic-Bur; F Eng-Nth; F MAO-WMED; A Bel S ENG F Nth-Hol.

GER (J. Diehl) F Hel-Nth; F Den-Ska; A Kie-Den; F Bal S A Kie-Den; A Hol H /d/ ret Ruhr or OTB.

ITA (J. Rogowski) A Pied-Mar; A Tun-Alb; F Ion C A Tun-Alb; F Nap S F Ion.

RUS (J. Poore) A Nwy S F Fin-Swe /d/ ret StP or OTB; F Fin-Swe; A Ukr-Gal; A War S A Ukr-Gal; F Sev-Rum /annih/.

TUR (C. Reges) A Arm-Sev; F Blk S A Arm-Sev; A Rum S A Arm-Sev; F Smy-Aeg; F EMed S AUS F Gre-Ion;

## Supply Chart

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AUS Home, Ser, Gre, ROM	6	+1
ENG Home, Swe, NWY, HOL	6	+2
FRA Bre, Par, <del>Max</del> , Spa, Pcr, Bel, MUN, BER	7	+1
GER Kiel, <del>Max</del> , <del>Mun</del> , <del>Hol</del> , Den	2	-3
ITA Ven, Nap, <del>Rom</del> , Tun, MAR	4	0
RUS <del>Max</del> , Mos, War, StP, <del>Max</del>	3	-1
TUR Home, Bul, Rum, SEV	6	+1

Winter '03 (Note, Separation of Season) due Sat March 11, noon.

## Press:

LVOV (GALACIAN FREE PRESS, WITHOUT MALICIOUS AUSTRIAN PROPAGANDA.) The cheering Galacian Poles, were in the streets cheering Emperor Adolf H. Tomcufcik, because he has released them from the days tortures. The Sigmund Freud Brigade manned (?) by officers of the Mre. Olsen Brigade--now detached from the victorious Norwegian Campaign--is fighting for freedom in conjunction with the rigorous Russian Raiders. The newly formed Imperial Air Force of Russia is now under way to give valuable air support to the Freedom Fighters.

SEVASTOPOL--The Imperial Russian planes in a gesture of good will, are now helping to relieve our Turkish friends during the current tobacco shortage. Czaravitch Herbie has suggested that we airlift a substitute for tobacco--grass and opium. As Czaravitch Herbie said "It's 17 herbs and spices that give it that special tea flavor."

A Sanatarium outside of Bordeaux: The Pretender to the throne of France, Jean I, announced today that he has decided to declare war upon the barbaric tribe across the Rhine. He also said, "Within the year, the glorious French infantry shall be attacking the uncivilized peoples of Belgium in a surprise move to outflank the Huns."

PARIS: The government would like to apologize for the contents of the message from Jean I. Now you see why we French have rid ourselves of royalty. They always were a little slow to act.

1977-IS

"The Publisher's Game"

Spring 1903

AUS (J. BUMPAS--LIBERTERREAN) A Tyr-Mun; A Bud-Gal; A Rum S A Bud-Gal; A Vie-Boh; A Ser-Bul; F Bul(sc)-Aeg (6).

ENG (D. BUNKE--THE NINTH CIRCLE) A Nwy-Fin; F Ska-Swe; F Nwg-Nwy; F Nth S F Nwg-Nwy; F StP(nc) S F Nwg-Nwy/d/ ret Bar or OTB. (5)

FRA (D. AGOSTA-COMMAND) F NAF-Tun; F WMED S F NAF-Tun; A Gas-Mar; A Par-Bur; F Tyrr-Ion/d/ ret Tus, Lyon or OTB. (5)

GER (B. HARTWIG-THE PODUNK NEWS) A Ber-Mun; A Sil S A Ber-Mun; A Ruh-Hol; A Bal S A Ruh-Hol; F Bal-Swe; F Den S F Bal-Swe. (6)

ITA (A. COOK-SUICIDE) A Pie-Mar; F Nap-Tyrr; F Tun-Ion; F Gre S F Tun-Ion. (5)

F Rom S F Nap-Tyrr

RUS (DAVE DITTER) F Sev-Blk; A Fin-Nwy; F Both S A Mos-StP; A Mos-StP (4)

TUR (B. BEARDSLEY--BROUHAHA) F Con-Aeg; F Ank-Con; A Smy-Arm

1977-IS Con't.

Press:

PASADENA: Two things, first the press for Korbach last issue was to have read from Pasadena. In a hectic bout with my son and the Emergency Hospital I lost Bob's press. Also I mistyped the word ~~TAXI~~, ~~TAXI~~, ~~TAXI~~, Manuevers in Bob Beardsley's press. Sorry guys.

In the great castle at Korbach, plans continued for Lord Hartwig's Fox hunt.

"Where around Birmingham is the best place for this Fox hunt?" asked the King, tiring of all the planning involved.

A shifty little man, the master of Eastern cooking at the castle stood up. "Yes, Fugihara?!"

"Sherwood Forest is a great place, my Lord."

"Wonderful," shouted the King, "I've never been to England, and deep in in the heart would be a perfect place to begin my first stab at hunting."

"Should I pack a knife with your clothes and Diplomacy game?"

"Yes, make it long and strong, for this stab will be a Hard one."

(No Dateline) Rumors that a firm ally may be found somewhere in Germany has prompted isolated units of the Austrian army to spend some of their liberty (and hard earned pay!) searching for a good ally in Germany. Does anyone else have any ideas about where to look? We're open to suggestions.

ROME--Bob, I have explained before.

NAPLES-- Today the Foreign Minister set sail for France with a peace proposal as he sailed, he was confronted by a hostile French fleet. When the Flag of Peace was waved, a salvo was fired. Again the flag was waved, and another salvo came overhead. At this point the Minister turned and said, "they look French, but fire like Italians."

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1977-??

LENS-6

AUS: Leland Harmon      ENG: David Hard      FRA: Steve Shields

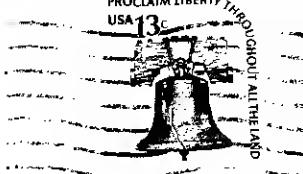
GER: Cliff Hardisty      ITA: Andy Tomcufcik

RUS: Bob Gallagher      TUR: Dave Hansen

Players were notified earlier by mail. Spr '01 due Sat. Mar 11 (noon).

Short and sweet this issue. I'm still fighting this blasted virus. Talk to you again in Three Weeks.

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